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PEACE MOVES. SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE PARTIES. GREAT EXCITEMENT PREVAILS. Turning of the Tide in the General Strike.

Definite peace moves are being made, the news of which has created great excitement in London.
Special meetings have been held of the General Council of the Trades Union Congress, the Executive of the Miners' Federation, and the Labour Party.
Following a special Cabinet meeting a conference was held at No. 10 Downing Street till past midnight.
Strong efforts are being made to induce the miners to agree to a basis on which negotiations might be re-opened.
Meanwhile, so far as the general strike itself is concerned, the Government announces that the tide has turned.

Hour to Hour Points.

Yesterday was the eighth day of the strike.

Peace moves are being made, and a special meeting of the Trades Union Congress was held yesterday evening.

Subsequently the General Council met and was joined by the full Executive of the Miners' Federation, whilst the Labour Party Executive met in an adjoining room.

A special meeting of the Cabinet was followed by a conference between the Prime Minister and other Ministers at No. 10 Downing Street.

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It is possible that the Trades Union Council and the Cabinet will meet together.

Sir John Simon is to table a resolution in the Commons asking the Government to announce its willingness for a short period to assist the coal industry on three conditions.

"Without undue optimism we may say the tide has turned." Thus the Government spokesman to journalists.

Daily trains number 5,563 as compared with 849 last Wednesday.

The food situation in London and the Home Counties is easier.

The dock area is quiet.

In the South-Western Division over 24,000 volunteers have enrolled.

The P. & O. steamer Mantua was unloaded at Plymouth with non-union labour.

Optimism prevails on the Stock Exchange, practically all sections, including Home rails, improving.

The Shipping Advisory Committee can maintain a sufficient flow of essential supplies through the ports provided the protection of willing workers is maintained.

An official communique states that the situation all over the country shows further improvement.

Traders are confident of their ability to move goods without direct Government assistance.

The distribution of petrol is proceeding more rapidly.

The number of men returning to work is increasing.

Conversely, there is so far no sign of a general collapse of the strike.

No second strike call has been made yet as regards the engineers and shipbuilders, states a Trade Union communique, which adds that "the men's morale is as great as ever."

The American, Canadian, and French Labour Federations, also the German and Austrian Unions, have promised financial assistance.

It is alleged that the Government has placed an embargo on foreign funds for the Trades Congress.

New York Communists are urging seamen, longshoremen, and marine workers to stand by the British miners.

The Miners' Executive and the Trades Union Congress separated at 12.30. Mr. A. J. Cook, emerging whistling cheerfully, said the Trades Union Congress met till one a.m. It is believed that they desired to meet Mr. P. Simon in this forenoon.

SIGNIFICANT.

Open Door For Resumed Negotiations.

(Router's Service.)

London, May 11.

There was an important development to-night concerning the earlier reports that tentative peace moves were progressing.

A special meeting of the General Council of the Trade Union Congress was hurriedly held this evening.

It was officially stated that the meeting had been held with a view to exploring the position still further in order, if possible, to open the door for resumed negotiations and to keep it open.

Essentially Preliminary.

London, later.

Great excitement prevailed in Eccleston Square this evening. The news of a possible peace move spread rapidly and a considerable crowd collected.

The General Council of the Trades Union Congress assembled again at eight o'clock in the evening and was joined by the full Executive of the Miners' Federation.

The Executive of the Labour Party were also sitting in an adjoining building.

It is stated unofficially that a definite change in the situation is not likely to occur to-night, and whatever moves are being made are essentially of a preliminary character.

SPECIAL CABINET MEETING.

Some Possibilities.

London, Later.

Following a special Cabinet meeting in the House of Commons, lasting for ninety minutes, Mr. S. Baldwin, Mr. Winston Churchill, the Earl of Birkenhead, and other members of the Cabinet conferred till past midnight at No. 10 Downing Street.

Meantime the General Council of the Trades Union Congress with the Miners' Executive had been sitting for two hours. Then the latter met the Executive of the Labour Party, with whom they conferred for over an hour.

It is believed that strong efforts are being made to induce the miners to agree to a basis on which negotiations might be re-opened.

It is even possible that the Cabinet and the Trades Union Congress Council will meet to-night.

[Note: The foregoing cables arrived after the receipt of those published below.]

THREE CONDITIONS.

Suggestion for Government's Consideration.

London, May 11.

In the House of Commons Sir John Simon (Liberal, Spenn Valley) announced his intention to put down on the order paper a resolution at an early date to ask the House to record its view that, when three conditions are satisfied concurrently, the Government ought to announce its willingness for a short period to assist the coal industry.

These conditions are—
Firstly—The unqualified calling off of the general strike.

Secondly—The resumption of work at the coal owners' old rates.

Lastly—The spokesmen of the miners and coal owners to be required definitely to undertake to negotiate on the basis of the coal report without excluding anything therein.

RENT CONTROL.

LANDLORDS ALSO TO SEND PETITION?

THE LOCAL ORDINANCE.

Further activities are reported in connection with local rent control.

As has already been stated, the legislation has announced that the Rents Restriction Ordinance will be allowed to lapse after June 30, 1926.

It has been stated that the Hongkong and Kowloon Landlords' Protective Association is preparing a petition to the Government. This Association embodies, mainly, Chinese owners of property on both sides of the harbour. The report goes that the landlords will adduce reasons why the Government should not change its decision.

Meanwhile the Tenants' Association is to hand in its petition for the retention of the Ordinance, in part or whole, or the substitution of other form of protection. The English wording, as in previous years, has been entrusted to Messrs. Wilkinson & Crist and will be presented to H.E. the Governor, and the Legislative Council. The Chinese version will be handed to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

To-day, of course, is the "closing time" for sending in replies to the questionnaire issued by the Kowloon Residents' Association in connection with the Ordinance.

"TIDE HAS TURNED."

Government Makes Cheering Announcement.

London, May 11.

"Without undue optimism we may say that the tide has turned."

This was an encouraging prelude to an announcement by the Government spokesman to a conference with journalists.

He added that the daily trains number 5,563 compared with 849 on Wednesday last.

The food situation in London and the Home Counties is easier. Large industries in the same area have closed owing to the lack of electrical power denied them by the action of certain local authorities, rendering large bodies of men idle. Three boats are being permitted without any molestation to unload in London docks.

The dock area is quiet. Violence is not expected from the regular dockers.

As regards the South-Western Division recruiting is proceeding with enthusiasm, over 24,000 volunteers having enrolled.

The P. & O. steamer "Mantua" was unloaded with non-union labour at Plymouth. The passengers, as in normal times, left for London by special train.

Stock Exchange.

London, May 11.

The Stock Exchange is optimistic. Business was done to-day at increasing prices, practically all sections improving. Home rails are decidedly better.

Shipping Advisory Committee.

The Shipping Advisory Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. W. Rineaman (Liberal M.P. for West Swansea) and a prominent shipowner, which was appointed at the Government's request by the Chamber of Shipping, states that the ship owners, working with the Port Authorities, in conjunction with other commercial interests concerned, can maintain a sufficient flow of all essential supplies through the ports provided the present measures to protect willing workers are maintained and increased as the need arises.

OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE.

Further Improvement in Situation.

London, May 11.

An official communique states—
The situation all over the country shows further improvement.

The distribution of food supplies does not give any cause for apprehension.

The situation at the ports is entirely satisfactory.

Traders are growing more confident of their ability to move goods without direct assistance from the Government.

The distribution of petrol is proceeding more rapidly than in any previous period.

ANOTHER PIRACY.

ROBBERS AS PASSENGERS AGAIN.

IN CANTON HARBOUR.

Another piracy of craft, within the precincts of Canton harbour, has been reported.

The victim this time is a tow-boat, its steam-launch had a number of cargo boats, which conveyed together for mutual towage.

These vessels were of the East Bund of Canton on Sunday night and left after dark for Waichow on the East River.

A number of pirates had shipped, apparently, as passengers. By the time the boats had got down the front reach to Tai-sha-tau (which is only a very short distance), the gang had seized control.

The tow-boat, with several hundred passengers on board, is stated to have been cut adrift, ultimately returning to the Bund by the crew using punts. The launch and the cargo boats vanished and had not been traced the next day.

CREW REMOVED.

BOYCOTT COMMITTEE INTERFERES.

COAL STEAMER'S FLIGHT.

Because the Canton Boycott committee decided that a foreign ship should carry a crew of their selection, an ocean-going steamer has had to make its way here with only seven officers.

The Norwegian s.s. "Marosa" arrived here at 9 a.m. to-day from Canton. Captain J. Jorgensen reported that his crew had been taken off by the Seamen's Union.

For some time past, the "Marosa" has been on the southern coast trade, plying to such ports as Bangkok and Singapore. She has made two trips to Canton, apparently with coal.

Nothing occurred the first time. On this second occasion, the Union crew were not accepted, but the old crew had to leave. Accordingly the steamer made its way down here, there being on board only the captain and six other European officers—both deck and engine room.

Messrs. Thoresen & Co. are agents for this 900-ton vessel.

OCCASIONAL RAIN.

PROSPECTS TILL NOON TO-MORROW.

The sudden break in the weather last night accounted for a rainfall of 0.32 inch, bringing the total for the year to 24.94 inches against an average of 15.02 inches.

The forecast issued at noon to-day indicated more rain for the next 24 hours. This has already been borne out. It reads—S.E. or variable winds, moderate; overcast; occasional rain.

Other indications in the Observatory report point to pressure being relatively high both in the extreme North and East. It has increased moderately at Vladivostok and slightly at Chetov. It has decreased considerably at Tokyo and slightly at other stations. Gradients over the central area are shallow. There is probably a depression at Tongking.

HOME MAIL IN.

A total of 420 bags letters and papers (London April 15) was received at the G.P.O. at 11 o'clock this morning by the s.s. "Malwa." Delivery commenced early in the afternoon.

Parcels from London by the same vessel amounted to 120 bags. Delivery will commence to-morrow morning. The parcels include those received in London up to April 9.

The M.V. s.s. "Malayan Prince" will be berthed at buoy No. 43. For the convenience of intending visitors a regular launch service will be run between Sika-Pier and the vessel from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.

TO HAVE DOLLAR.

The Hongkong dollar is to be introduced on Monday, May 17, 1926.

ANOTHER SHUFFLE.

LATEST PHASE OF CANTON POLITICS.

INVASION FROM NORTH?

Militarists Looking to Land of Promise.

Beyond a persistent rumour, as yet uncontradicted, that Mr. Hu Han-min has left Canton (and may have come down to Hongkong), there is no telling what the latest political developments in South China will be.

Hitherto it has been a struggle for power between the Leftists and Rightists, or rather, the so-called Communists and anti-Communists. A new phase is appearing on the horizon and that is the danger of invasion from the North.

For some time at any rate, mystery will enshroud the movements behind the scenes of the Canton political stage. Why Hu Han-min (formerly Civil Governor and leading politician) returned from exile and why he left again so suddenly is not known perhaps but to a few.

Ominous "15th."

This week vernacular papers have published ominous forebodings about what is going to happen in Canton on the fifteenth of this month, this being Saturday of the current week. Why this date should be selected for any outbreak, and how secrecy was not established, are other mysteries which baffle the layman.

General Chang Kai-shek is indisputably the strong man of Canton to-day. On the one hand he is said to have brought about the expulsion of so many Russians from the Government. Not long afterwards, there is talk of Borodin returning, and promises of further material help. Mr. Hu Han-min is alleged to have quarrelled with the soldier of the hour over General Hsu Shung-chi, that broken reed of the Kuomintang Cantonese army, who is now seeking his fortunes elsewhere. Apparently Hu wished Hsu to return and Chang did not.

Danger From Wu Pei-fu? General Hsu is reported to be seeking a command in the army of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, but it is not definite that he has taken the oath of allegiance. But there are other militarists who have tasted the sweets of office—and with them the revenues of this fertile province—in Kwangtung. Some of them are now casting covetous eyes on Canton.

A cable from Shanghai, received yesterday, says that Ma Chai, who is now extending Marshal Wu's scope in the province of Hunan, is taking over defeated soldiers and adding to the strength of his own army, by several divisions. His first objective is the control of Kwangsi. Since heroes to fame as the commander of the Canton Arsenal, before the eclipse of the Kwangsi regime, several years back, it is only natural that Canton should have had intelligence that he is the provisional leader of the vanguard for the invasion to the south.

Then there are two commanders, formerly under Chan Kwang-ming, who are actually reported by that same telegram to be seeking a return to Kwangtung, by way of Kiangsi. They now hold active commands under Wu Pei-fu but are not directly associated with the offensive which drove out Tang Sang-chi, the General now seeking aid from Canton.

It does seem that Wu Pei-fu has diverted his attention from Peking to the south generally, rather than face an issue with Marshal Chang Tso-lin of Manchuria.

TWO THEFTS.

Access to a room being gained from the veranda between midnight and the afternoon of yesterday, some person stole jewellery valued at \$75 from Mr. Kirby Sayce, of Beaconsfield Avenue. A report of the loss has been made to the police.

An electric fan valued at \$30 was stolen from an eating-house at Reclamation Street, Yau-ma-tei. In this case the thief entered the house by breaking the lock of the back door.

A Chinese woman who attempted to commit suicide by jumping into the harbour near the ferry wharf at Hung Hom yesterday was rescued and sent to the Kwong Wai Hospital.

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M.S. LA PLATA MARU. Friday, 14th May.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

HEIMEI MARU. Thursday, 20th May.

TACOMA MARU. Sunday, 6th June.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOHABASA.

PANAMA MARU. Wednesday, 23rd June.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

SANUKI MARU. Thursday, 27th May.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon.

SEKKOW MARU. Wednesday, 2nd June.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Singapore and Japan.

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NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.

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Kiangsu (1555) Br. from Bangkok; B. & S.

Kumsang (3841) Br. from Calcutta, Singapore; J. M. & Co.

Song Bo (720) Fr. from Haiphong, Fort Bayard; M. M.

Van Cloon (2368) Dutch, from Swatow, Amoy; J. C. J. L.

Tibetair (8730) Dutch, from Batavia, Milke; J. C. J. L.

Chicago Maru (3639) Jap. from Osaka, Moji; O. S. K.

Tak Hing (105) Chinese, from Nam Tau; Pak Hok

Wong Shek Kung (860) Chinese, from Saigon; Kwong Hing Hing.

Derwent (1562) Chinese, from Fochow, Amoy; Yuet On.

Angers (5680) Fr. from Yokohama, Shanghai; M. M.

D'Artagnan (3627) Fr. from Marseilles, Saigon; M. M.

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BIRTHS.

ATTEBURY.—On April 28, at
Maternity Hospital, Penang,
to Stella, wife of E. F. Attebury
of Krian Estate, Nebong
Tebal, a daughter.

SINCLAIR.—On May 1, 1926, at
the Maternity Home, Penang,
to Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Sinclair,
of Sungai Ular Estate,
Kutim, Kedah, a son.

MARRIAGE.

SMITH—VINCENT.—On May 1,
1926, at Wesley Church, Fort
Canning, by the Rev. Edwin
Lee, John H. Smith to Mina
Vincent.

DEATHS.

BRAUN.—On April 30, 1926, at
Singapore, Edward Ben-
jamin Braun, aged 84 years.

CAMPBELL.—On April 30, 1926,
at the General Hospital,
Singapore, William S. I.
Campbell, late Captain of S.S.
"Will of the Wisp." Aged 64
years.

Hongkong, Wednesday, May 12, 1926.

BANK SWINDLERS.

Scant sympathy will be shown
to the two Chinese who were sen-
tenced at the Criminal Sessions
to-day on a charge of conspiracy
to defraud the Wing On Company
Bank. The trial, in spite of its
abnormally protracted nature, has
created quite a stir in commercial
circles, the newspaper reports
throughout the whole fifteen days
being followed with extremely
great interest by non-Chinese as
well as Chinese. The code of
commercial morality amongst the
Chinese has always been reputedly
high. Yet, in this as in every
other section of the community, it
is only natural—in fact, inevit-
able—to find lapses from grace, as
witness the Atherley affair of a
few months ago. An isolated case
here and there, however, need not
be taken as any evidence that
commercial morality generally
leaves very much to be desired or
that the average man who dabbles
largely in banking or share trans-
actions is a wolf in sheep's cloth-
ing. Circumstances and the op-
portunities for swindling appear
to be the predominant factors in
criminal breaches of this type—
and, of course, the most important
fact that an apparently honest and

trustworthy man has been found
out. There may be other rogues
in commercial circles in the
Colony, but it would be defama-
tory to insinuate such until the
day of reckoning arrives for them,
too, and they find themselves in
the unenviable position of hearing
sentence for their misdeeds
solemnly pronounced by one of
His Majesty's Judges.

Any comparisons of crime in
this Colony with that at Home
must be rigidly ruled out, for con-
ditions are entirely different and
the class of offenders here is like-
wise utterly at variance with that
in the Old Country. There
have just been published "Crimin-
al Statistics for 1924," in the
course of which it is stated that,
as regards fraud, there appears
to be a decay of commercial prob-
ity which may have its origin in
the opportunities for getting rich
quickly afforded in certain quar-
ters in the Great War. Here, any
increase in commercial probity
would probably be set down by a
criminologist to the abnormal de-
pression in trade in South China
generally since the strike and boy-
cott commenced last year and the
insensate desire of some to get
rich as other people's expense by
hook or by crook. If this should
be the explanation the phenom-
enon will pass in due course.

It is also asserted, in the
"Criminal Statistics for 1924,"
that "the proportion of persons
practised and skilled enough to
avoid detection is growing." The
official view is that "this may be
due in part to the fact that per-
sons of this type when convicted
receive nowadays more lenient
sentences than formerly, and re-
turn sooner to practise their
criminal habits." With the sen-
tences passed this morning on the
two Chinese convicted of con-
spiracy to defraud the Wing On
Company Bank there should be
absolute agreement. They are
not vindictive, but they are salu-
tary and just. As a deterrent
this species of crime against com-
mercial probity they ought to
exercise a wholesome effect. The
prisoners are not of the class to
whom a term of imprisonment
for three years is a bagatelle; it
means ignominy and disgrace in
the eyes of their compatriots; it
implies perpetual banishment
from commercial dealings in this
Colony. That will be hard to
bear.

The Jury, by their verdict and
the Chief Justice by his sentences
have done all that the law re-
quires to rid the community of a
couple of swindlers who have
blackened the fair name of the
Colony for commercial probity.

A DECADENT INDUSTRY?

How long it will be before coal
is entirely superseded by other
light and power mediums is a
question which has exercised the
minds of the far seeing ever since
the subject of the limitations of
the present world supplies en-
gaged the attention of the ex-
perts. The unpromising financial
state of the industry as disclosed
by a Commission which had full
access to all relative books and
was advised by both sides, gives
cause for wonder as to whether

the replacement of coal by elec-
tricity and other mediums for
light and power may not come
sooner than many imagine. Al-
though the harnessing of Eng-
land's waterways for the pur-
pose of providing electricity on a
large scale and at moderate
charges involves a financial strain
which the country can ill afford
to bear in the present state of her
finances it is open to question
whether such expenditure would
not eventually repay her more
than the subsidising of an indus-
try, which may or not in the
future be put on a paying basis.
If, as many experts assure us,
there will have to be absorption
eventually from the ranks of the
miners to those engaged on other
power medium production, it
would obviously be more desirable
to spend money on facilitating
that absorption than in financing
one industry at the expense of
another. Although it would be
too sweeping to state that the
coal industry is doomed, there can
be no doubt that even allowing for
general trade depression which
has affected employment in all
industries, that of coal has been
by far the most seriously hit as
regards the possibility of employ-
ment for the thousands who have
been unemployed, many of them,
since the last big strike five years
ago. Many reasons have been
put forward for the acute depres-
sion in the industry. At first it
was the payment of Ruhr coal to
France which was keeping down
the demand for British coal, then
it was the adverse effect of the
depreciated exchange of other
countries when it came to trans-
lating British currency in relation
to the price of exported coal.
More recently, the return to the
gold standard has been blamed.
But it may be that the cause lies
deeper as the British coal indus-
try is not the only one affected.
In the gradual change from coal
bunkering to oil spraying and
motor propulsion in ships one has
but one of the many signs of the
advance which is being made in
the discovery and adaptation of
new raw materials to take the
place of coal. Then there is the
campaign started by influential
journalists and supported by scien-
tific men for the abolition of the
smoke nuisance which consti-
tutes such a grave menace to the
health of the population of our
crowded cities. Claims have been
put forward which, if substan-
tiated, may see the general use
of materials which will do away
with the smoke belching chim-
neys and enable city dwellers to
live under more hygienic condi-
tions than are at present possible
to them. The development of
such inventions which it is claim-
ed will dispense with the neces-
sity for the use of coal may be,
and probably is, a matter of con-
siderable time yet but in the con-
sideration of schemes for the
future of the coal industry it is
to be hoped that it will not en-
tirely be lost sight of by the Gov-
ernment which at present is seek-
ing to find the best way out of
what is at present a national dif-
ficulty but which contains the
elements of a world-wide problem.

BEGGAR NUISANCE.

"BLACK MARIA" OUT
YESTERDAY.

FOURTEEN CAPTURES.

The begging fraternity received
a shock yesterday when they were
taken unawares in various streets
and calmly ushered into the local
police van.

Some of the "captives" (alto-
gether fourteen were secured) failed
to understand this action of the
police, but they have still to learn
that this is part of routine proce-
dure for ridding the Colony of a
nuisance. One among them was
identified as an old hand. He had
been "sent away" about a dozen
times, but found himself back by
the quickest route.

Time was when shiploads of
beggars were sent to Canton, but
the nuisance has now attained to a
considerable extent. At present
about twenty are sent away each
week. Since the refusal of the
strike pickets to permit landing in
Canton, the beggars are now taken
by police launch and landed in
Chinese territory at Deep Bay. As
is proved by the record of captures,
some of those sent away find their
way back to Hongkong, walking part
of the way.

THREE YEARS.

SENTENCE IN WING ON
CASE.

"ENORMOUS EXPENSE."

Defence To Pay Up To \$3,000
Costs.

"After patient and prolonged
hearing," said the Chief Justice this
morning to the two prisoners found
guilty yesterday of criminal con-
spiracy to defraud the Wing On
Banking Company, "the jury found
the first prisoner guilty on all
counts of the indictment and the
second prisoner has been convicted
on three counts of the indictment.
The facts which were proved at the
trial are common to all counts of
the indictment and therefore I pro-
pose to deal with them as if they
had been the same offence.

"The sentence on the first pris-
oner is that he be imprisoned for
3 years with hard labour on each
count, sentences to run concu-
rently. The sentence on the second
prisoner is that he be imprisoned
for three years with hard labour
on the three counts, sentences to
run concurrently.

Mr. Jenkin: Might I refer Your
Lordship's attention to section 22
of the Criminal Procedure Or-
dinance which gives the Court
power to award costs against per-
sons convicted on indictable offences
in the same manner as in a civil
action. Proceedings in this case
undoubtedly have been very prolonged
and have entailed enormous expense
on them. Might I ask that Your Lord-
ship add to the sentence you have
already passed an order for the pay-
ment of part of the costs and ex-
penses of the prosecution? The
costs of the Wing On Company
which have already been paid have
exceeded \$10,000.

"Unprecedented."
Mr. Alabaster: Counsel for the
prosecution and the defence have
been here for a number of years
and such an application is entirely
unprecedented.

His Lordship: But there is the
power provided. Surely a case
where you have parties of a certain
position in life with apparent means
is one in which they should be made
to pay expenses incurred by reason
of their conduct.

Mr. Alabaster: The law officers
of the Crown have not undertaken
their usual functions in this case. A
civil action has been turned into a
criminal procedure; enormous ex-
penses have been incurred by the
prosecution which very fact has put
the defence into difficulties because
they have not the unlimited re-
sources to draw on, naturally, that
the prosecution has had. Such a
procedure as is asked for would be
quite unprecedented and it should
be borne in mind that defendants
in this Colony have not such re-
medies as are possessed by defend-
ants in England. Our machinery
has not been brought into line with
the machinery in England which
would allow us to go further with
the case.

"The prosecution have chosen in
the conduct of the case," continued
counsel, "to incur the enormous
expense mentioned in order that
they might arm themselves with
more counsel than either defendants
can afford and now they ask for
this unprecedented order. There
is certainly the power but so rarely
is it used that in neither of our
memories has it been."

Mr. Zeitlyn: Any order that
Your Lordship might feel pleased
to make against the first prisoner
would be nothing but useless as
he is a poor man but if Your Lord-
ship deems fit to make such an or-
der to serve as a precedent, I think
it would be a departure
which would be regretted in subse-
quent years and I do think a demand
made at this stage of the proceed-
ings is not one which should be
accorded to.

His Lordship: There is no doubt
but that the Court has the power
to make an order. I assume that
when the legislature gave its sanc-
tion it must have had in mind the
existence of certain cases in which
the making of the order would be
right and proper. In this particu-
lar case it is quite clear that the
accused have at some time been in
possession of means. Mr. Zeitlyn
has said that any order made
would bear no fruit.

"Evil Fruit."
Mr. Zeitlyn: Except in as far as
it may bear very evil fruit to those
dependent on the man.

His Lordship: A man who com-
mits an offence of this kind ought
to consider that before he embarks
on a scheme of this kind, "a case
in which people of a certain stand-
ing engage in an attempt to de-
fraud seems to me to be particu-
larly one in which an order of this
kind should be made."

Mr. Zeitlyn: If I might antici-
pate the next sentence which I
see trembling on Your Lordship's
lips I would remind Your Lordship
that the Wing On Company has in-
curred no loss as the money has
not been paid out.

His Lordship: But there are the
very considerable costs. I do not
propose to make an order for the
payment of all of them by the de-
fence. I propose to limit them to
taxed costs between party and
party, the amount not to exceed
\$3,000.

Mr. Jenkin: Does that apply to
each prisoner?

His Lordship: I do not mean
that \$3,000 is to be paid in all. The
order for \$3,000 is made jointly.

"Clearing Any Stigma."

Mr. Jenkin: Before Your Lord-
ship rises I beg leave to make
reference to the mention at the
earlier stages of the case of the
name of Mr. Lai Im-to, a gentle-
man of some standing in the
Colony, in order that I might do
anything I can to clear any stigma
which might attach by reason or
his association, however slight,
with these "unfortunate proceed-
ings."

Mr. Lai's name appeared on the
\$75,000 cheque drawn on the
Man Fat out of which \$50,000
found its way to the Wing On
banking department. He is a
member of a well-known Chinese
club and in 1924-5 was treasurer
of that club; it being obvious,
therefore, that he was held in
considerable esteem by a body of
Chinese gentlemen in this Colony.

At all material times, he was em-
ployed by Thomas W. Simmons
and Co. of which Fok Chung-yuen
and his brother were owners.
They had subsidiary companies,
the Man Fat being but one of
these. For the convenience of
having three signatories for the
use of the Bank of East Asia, Mr.
Lai was directed by the owners of
the business to be an alternative
signatory if either of the Fok
brothers should at any time be
absent.

This was Mr. Lai's only associa-
tion with the case, said Mr.
Jenkin, although at the earlier
stage of the proceedings it had
been sufficient to attach a certain
amount of suspicion. "I have
personally investigated his asso-
ciation with the case," continued
Mr. Jenkin, "and am satisfied that
he knew nothing as to the pur-
pose for which the cheque was
drawn or even that the money was
going to the Wing On Company.
He signed merely on the general
instructions given to him. I hope
that this statement of mine will
clear him of any possible stigma
which might otherwise attach to
by reason of his name appearing
on the cheque."

Final Direction.

In directing the jury im-
mediately prior to their retire-
ment yesterday, His Lordship
said: "This is a very complicated
case, and I have therefore read
a large portion of the evidence.
The real material evidence is,
however, not very complicated,
and can be referred to in a very
few words. It seems to me that
your verdict in this case must to
a large extent depend on the
evidence of Chan Sam and Tam
Lay. In justice to the defence
you must consider the evidence
of these two witnesses very care-
fully. You have always to re-
member that the onus of bringing
the charges home rests on the
Crown, and in deciding on your
verdict you must be satisfied be-
yond reasonable doubt."

The jury retired at 3.35 p.m.
and returned to the court after
35 minutes.

They found the first prisoner,
Au Kim-lui, guilty on all six
counts, conspiracy, two charges of
uttering a forged document with
intent to defraud, of endeavouring
to get \$50,000 paid into the
Industrial and Commercial Bank
on a forged document, and two
counts of perjury.

The second prisoner, Lam
Fook-chu was found guilty on the
counts of conspiracy and two
counts of uttering a forged docu-
ment with intent to defraud. He
was found not guilty on the fourth
count. The counts of perjury did
not refer to him.

His Lordship stated that he
would reserve judgment and de-
liver it this morning. He thank-
ed the jury for the attention they
had given to the case and excused
them from further service for a
period of three years.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, appeared with
Mr. H. G. Sheldon for the pro-
secution (both instructed by Mr.
Bulmer Johnson, of Messrs.
Hastings, Denny and Bowley).
Mr. C. G. Alabaster and Mr.
Eley Zeitlyn (instructed by Mr.
G. K. Hall Brutton and Mr. Leo
d'Almada) were for the respective
prisoners.

RUBBER MARKET.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have
favoured us with a cable they have
received from Singapore advising
them of the following sales on
Rubber shares:
Afor Gajahs \$3.20, Basotto \$1.50
cam rights, Jarams \$2.00, New
Serendubs \$5.10.
Dividends—Indragiris 1 1/2 per
cent. interim.

PEACE MOVES.

(Continued from Page 1.)

There has been no interruption of power services.

The traffic on the railways is continuously increasing.

Order and quiet reign over the whole island, there being practically no attempt at sabotage.

More Men Returning.

It has been brought to the notice of the authorities that the number of individuals returning to work is increasing. Considerable bodies of strikers in some cases have applied for reinstatement.

On the other hand there is so far little sign of a general collapse of the strike, whilst the Trade Union Congress is believed to be making efforts to call out certain trades still working.

"THE SECOND LINE."

No Trade Union Congress Instructions.

London, May 11.

A communique issued by the Trades Union Congress states that as far as the engineers and shipbuilders are concerned no second strike will be taken.

Any action which may be taken in regard to what is known as the second line defence is being initiated by various unions locally without direct instructions from the Trades Union Congress.

The communique adds that the men's morale is as great as ever.

Embargo on Foreign Funds.

London, May 11.

The Trades Union Congress General Council states that it has received messages from the American, Canadian, and French Labour Federations and from the Austrian and German Unions promising financial assistance.

It adds that a report has reached it that the Government has placed an embargo on funds from foreign countries coming to the Trades Union Congress.

Cheerful.

London, Later.

The Miners' Executive again met the Trades Union Congress Council, whom they left at 12.30 saying they were going home for the night. Mr. A. J. Cook emerged whistling cheerfully. He told Reuter that the situation was unchanged.

The Trades Union Congress is sitting till one a.m. It is believed that it desires to meet Mr. Baldwin in the forenoon.

NEW YORK COMMUNISTS.

"Stand by the British Miners."

New York, May 11.

The Communists here are distributing circulars urging seamen, longshoremen, and marine workers to stand by the British miners, alleging that international financiers are planning an extensive shipment of coal to Great Britain from America and other countries and calling on the American workers to join the workers in Germany, France, Mexico, and Russia to checkmate such moves.

New York, May 11.

The first financial assistance in aid of the general strike in Great Britain from an American labour organisation consists of an initial gift of \$1,000 (gold) sent to the Trades Union Congress Fund by the United Cloth-Cap Makers' Union.

Meanwhile the National Socialist Party in Chicago is appealing for similar contributions.

EARLIER NEWS.

London, May 11.

In the Chancery Division, Justice Astbury, in granting an injunction against certain branch officials of the Sailors and Firemen's Union, said the so-called general strike was started by the Trade Union Congress illegally and contrary to law. Those inciting or participating therein were not protected by the Trade Disputes Act (1916).

An appreciation of the situation broadcast this morning shows that the whole of the country continues to be quiet, and transport facilities are steadily expanding. Government protection measures are sufficient.

Defections from the strikers' ranks are principally among the railwaymen. There is a considerable increase in unemployment due to the closing down of industries.

The East End of London is absolutely quiet.

The Belfast dockers ignored the orders to strike when the Liverpool-Fleetwood steamers arrived, and they unloaded all the food-stuffs.

Food shipments to England are resuming as a result of the confirmation from the British Government that vessels can be discharged.

Rotterdam, May 11.

The General Council of the Soviet Trade Unions announces that in consequence of the Trade Union Congress's refusal to accept the proffered 2,250,000

roubles, the money would be returned to the subscribing Russian Trade Unions, but the collections would be continued and deposited to the credit of a special relief fund for British miners, and placed at the disposal of the T. U. C. or Miners' Federation. The Soviet Council adds the special agreement for a united front by British and Soviet Trade Unions is strengthened by the creation of an "Anglo-Soviet Unit Committee."

CHINESE UNIONS.

Message to British Trade Congress.

Telegrams have been despatched by Chinese Labour Unions to the strikers at home. One such reads:—

"To the Trade Union Congress, London.

"One year has elapsed, and the Canton-Hongkong Strike is still going on; we hope you will help us to settle our strike by so exerting your influence over the British Government as to bring it under our terms. The Third All-China Labour Congress, Canton."

Other messages include those from Mr. So Shue-ching, chairman of the Canton-Hongkong Strike Committee, to the Miners' Union; the Third All-China Labour Congress at Canton to the Miners' Union; and another long message.

HONGKONG PASSENGERS.

Safe Arrival Reported in London.

In view of the present conditions in Great Britain it will no doubt be of interest to friends of passengers who embarked here on April 3 by the s.s. Morea to learn that Messrs. Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co., the agents, have received cable advice from the Managing Directors in London that passengers by the s.s. Morea disembarked at Southampton on Friday last and arrived safely in London on Saturday morning.

A SNUB.

TRADE UNIONISTS' COLD DOUCHE.

NO PARLEYS WITH MOSCOW.

(Reuter's Agency.)

Amsterdam, May 11.

A joint meeting of the International Federation of Trade Unions and the International Socialist Labour Bureau considered the latest communication from Moscow on the subject of a united front and decided that the present moment was quite unsuited for discussions with the Communist Party.

LITTLE WARS.

FRENCH SUCCESS IN SYRIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, May 11.

Papers from Damascus state that the French have cleared the quarter of Meidan where the Druses got a footing, 57 rebels being killed and 71 captured. The French losses were three killed and eight injured. Four important Druse leaders have made submission.

In Morocco.

Rabat, May 11.

The French have started new operations in the area of Benim Estarns and reached without difficulties all their aims north of Tahuda and in the region of Nukara.

FOR THE POLE.

NORGE STARTS OUT FROM SPITZBERGEN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Oslo, May 11.

The Norge has started for the North Pole from Spitzbergen.



Here is Commander Richard E. Byrd who has succeeded in flying over the North Pole.

NEW ROTOR SHIP.

SUCCESSFULLY WEATHERS A STORM.

NEW YORK REACHED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, May 11.

The Baden Baden, Flottner's new rotor ship, has arrived from Hamburg, having successfully weathered a storm off Cape Hatteras.

JAPAN'S EMPEROR.

SLIGHT STROKE OF CEREBRAL ANAEMIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, May 11.

It is officially announced that the Emperor suffered a slight stroke



From cerebral anaemia this morning, but is improving.

AT GENEVA.

LORD CECIL OPPOSED TO REVOLUTION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, May 11.

Viscount Cecil opened the proceedings of the committee by emphasising the importance of the discussions, and the necessity of avoiding anything in the shape of revolution. He declared that the British Government was opposed to any violent changes in the composition of the Council.



Viscount Cecil.

Viscount Cecil further suggested a system of rotation for non-permanent members of the Council.

Signor Scialoja (Italy) and Senator Palancios (Spain) urged the necessity for unanimity in Council decisions, and the former, while opposing too great an increase in the number of non-permanent members, declared that the making of the League of Nations into a super-State must be avoided.

This would today be an anachronism, he concluded.

Participation in Work.

In the course of the general discussion a communication from the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia was distributed embodying the views of Australia in regard to the composition of the Council. It suggested that the Council should still consist of permanent and non-permanent members, but that the permanent seats should be restricted to the Great Powers, including Germany. The Australian Government feels the Council cannot be increased much beyond its present size, and it throws out the suggestion that members of the League of Nations not permanently represented on the Council shall have an opportunity of participating in its work.

The Commonwealth Government has grave doubts whether any advantage is to be gained by adopting geographical divisions in the election of non-permanent members. Furthermore, the Commonwealth opposes any modification of the rule of unanimity in respect of the decisions of the Council.

BACK FROM RUSSIA.

CONSERVATIVE M.P.'S SUBMIT A REPORT.

MOST IMPRESSIVE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 11.

The party of Conservative M.P.'s headed by Sir F. Nelson, who have been visiting Russia, returned to London by aeroplane.

Sir F. Nelson, interviewed by Reuter, stated that a copy of the report on the visit had been handed to Mr. S. Baldwin and Sir Auston Chamberlain. It would not be published till after the strike, but it would make most impressive reading.

DANISH FLIGHT.

HERSCHEID'S ARRIVAL AT CALCUTTA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Calcutta, May 11.

Lieut. Herscheid, the companion of Lieut. Botved, has arrived here.

CANNOT AGREE.

A CHINESE MARRIAGE PROBLEM.

BROUGHT TO COURT.

A Chinese marriage tangle was mentioned in Mr. Lindell's Court this morning when Li Tat-sang, of No. 275 Queen's Road Central, was summoned for failing to provide reasonable maintenance for his "tin song" wife, Tsui Kwan.

Both parties were legally represented, Mr. M. K. Lo being for the complainant and Mr. C. A. S. Russ for the defence.

Mr. Lo said that when the dispute was investigated by the directorate of the Po Leung Kok, the accused denied the marriage and cast aspersions on the character of the complainant. The accused had now come forward with a threat to close down his business and go to Canton, an overture also having been made that the woman should accept about \$400 and have nothing more to do with each other. Under these circumstances, he (Mr. Lo) thought the case must be thrashed out in Court.

A suggestion was made by Mr. Russ that the dispute could be settled privately by a meeting between the parties, but Mr. Lo said that such a conference would be useless unless the accused was prepared to withdraw his allegations.

His Worship adjourned the hearing of the summons until tomorrow week to enable a settlement to be effected outside Court if possible.

MOTOR THEFTS.

MENACE AT STATUE SQUARE.

LIFTER CAUGHT.

Since the conviction of a thief who was caught recharged in lifting articles from motor cars parked at Statue Square, there has been an absence of crime of this nature until Monday morning when a Chinese youth appropriated a waterproof bonnet cover from under the seat of Mr. W. O. Lambert's motor car.

A plain-clothes district watchman saw the accused place the cover on the ground near Lun Fat Street and commenced to follow it. The youth was arrested on suspicion and eventually admitted that he stole it. He took the watchman to Statue Square and pointed out the car where he got the cover. Mr. Lambert who was there was not aware of his loss at the time.

When charged with the larceny of the article before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning, the accused pleaded guilty. Record of a previous conviction for theft being produced, he was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

Lord and Lady Willingdon arrived from Manila by the "Empress of Canada" yesterday morning. They had dinner with Mr. Hornell at the University and then with Mr. Chichgar at Repulse Bay Hotel. They sail for Shanghai on Friday morning. They are here on an unofficial visit.

Injured in the head and legs by alighting from a tram car while in motion at Des Voeux Road Central, a Chinese was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday. Another man's sanitary cooler, admitted with a wound in the head alleged that he was struck with a basin by the cook who has absconded.

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Entertainments.

May 12—Queen's Theatre: "The Love Story of Alette Brunton."

May 12—Star Theatre: "The Streets of New York."

May 12—World Theatre: "What Women Love."

May 13—Star Theatre: "The Quaints" 8.15 p.m.

May 16—Lee Garden Anniversary Celebration.

May 17—Concert in the New St. Joseph's College Hall, 8 p.m.

May 17—Piano recital by the pupils of Mr. Harry Ore in the City Hall.

May 22—Whitsuntide Eve. Empire Celebration at Repulse Bay Hotel.

Sports.

May 12—Hockey Match on Marina ground, 5.30 p.m.

May 15—St. Joseph's College Sport at Happy Valley, 1 p.m.

May 15—Formal opening of the H.K.R.F.C. new ground, King's Park.

May 16—Charity Football Match: South China team v. the Navy on behalf of the Sisters of the Precious Blood, at Sookimpo ground, 5 p.m.

May 17—Gymnastic Display and distribution of prizes at St. Joseph's College, 5.30 p.m.

May 22—Royal Hongkong Golf Club holiday matches at Fanling.

May 29—Opening Baseball match of this season between South China (champions) and Japanese Baseball Club.

Auction.

May 13—At Lammer Bros. Sales Room, miscellaneous goods; 11 a.m.

Land Sales.

May 17—Auction Sales of Crown lands at Shaikwan and Tsing I Island, respectively, at P.W.D. offices, 3 p.m.

Company Meetings.

May 13—Forty-fifth meeting of shareholders of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's offices, noon.

May 14—Second meeting of shareholders of the H.K. and Territorial Estates, Ltd., in St. George's Building, 11 a.m.

May 22—Meeting of creditors of the Oriental Navigation Co., Ltd., at the offices of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, 5, Des Voeux Road Central, noon.

Miscellaneous.

May 12—H.E. the Governor will inspect local Boy Scouts on Murray Parade ground at 5.30 p.m.

May 14—Meeting of Marine Engineers' Guild, Hongkong Branch, at Sailors' Home, West Point, 5 p.m.

May 17—Golden Jubilee Celebration of St. Joseph's College.

May 17—Solemnity of the Feast of St. John Baptist de la Salle.

May 17—Christian Bros. of St. Joseph's College. "At Home" to parents past pupils and friends, at 4 p.m.

June 3—King's Birthday parade at Happy Valley.

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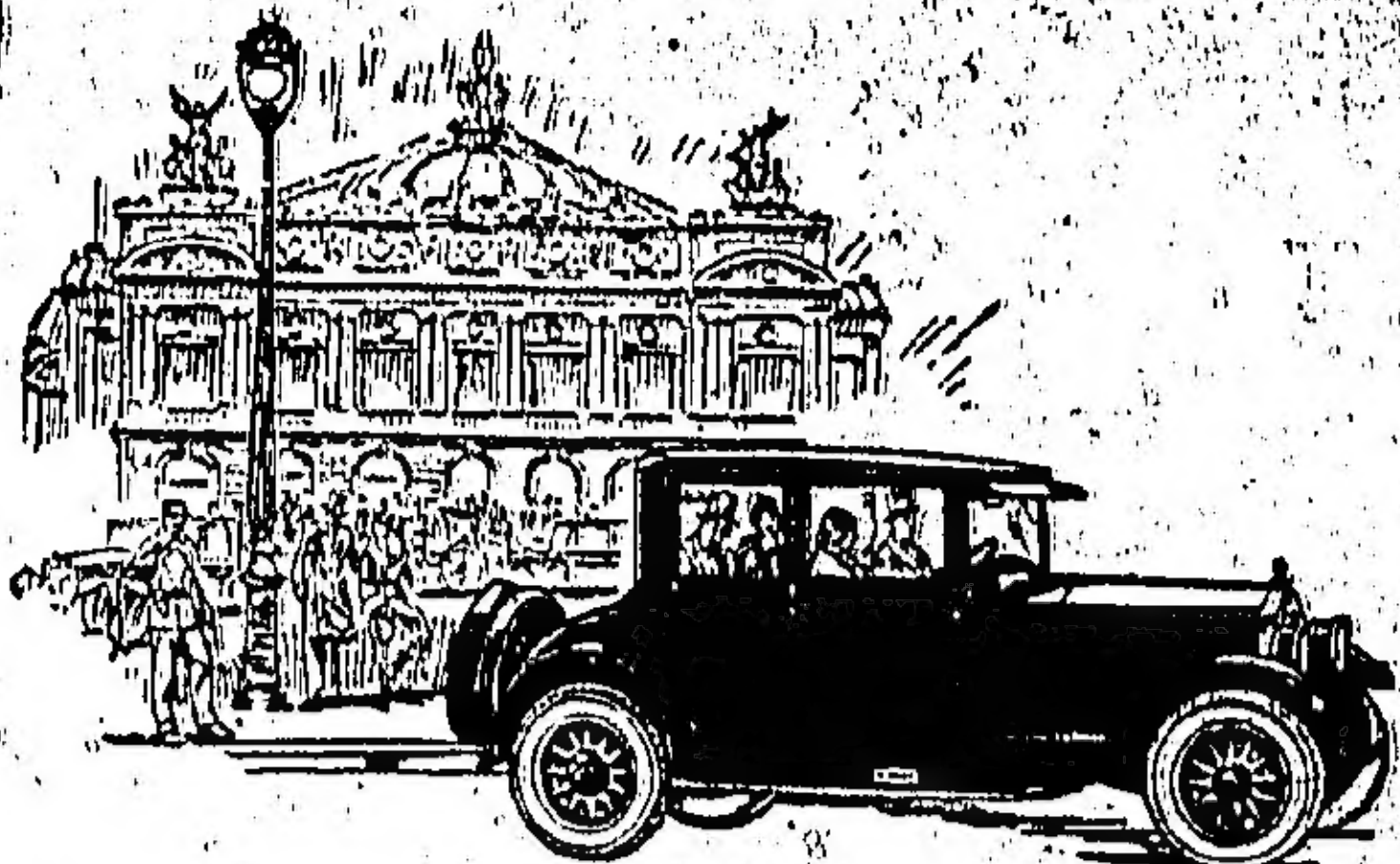
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To-morrow is Ascension Day—Holy Thursday; and the first day of the Zulkaidah in the Mahomedan calendar.

London, April 18.—As a sequel to the fire in a mansion in the Coolock district of County Dublin on March 31, the gardener, Henry McCabe, has been arrested and remanded in custody on six charges of murder.

Mexico City, April 24.—The Catholics have been ordered to participate in Mexican politics to control presidential, congressional and municipal elections, and by this means bring about religious freedom in Mexico. This advice was contained in a letter signed by all of the archbishops and bishops in Mexico, and made public to-day.

A secret meeting was held on May 3 by nine members of the conservative section of the Kuomintang Party at their headquarters on Route Vallon. The representatives decided unanimously that the conservatives should refrain from the present from participating in any mass demonstration and should send a letter to the French Consul-General explaining their new policy.

Hankow, April 30.—According to press reports, Comrade Karakhan, Soviet Ambassador in Peking, has despatched an emissary to Marshal Wu Pei-fu and has advised the latter to come to terms with the Kuomintang troops so that they may be able to defeat the Fengtien forces. In reply, Marshal Wu is alleged to have severely rebuked Ambassador Karakhan for his interference in China's domestic affairs as well as his propaganda of Communism contrary to the Sino-Russian Agreement.

Mr. H. Hata, Manager, announces that as a result of the formation of the Nippon Shimbun Rengosha with Kokusai and Toho (Eastern) News Agencies as its central body supported by eight leading newspapers in Tokyo and Osaka, the "Eastern News Agency" has been dissolved and that in its place, the "Toho News Agency" has been organized, which will henceforth succeed the business of the "Eastern News Agency" in the same line as heretofore. It follows, therefore, that telegrams after May 1 will be distributed in the name of "Toho News Agency" instead of "Eastern News Agency."

The ordinary general meeting of Hongkong Branch of the Marine Engineer's Guild of China will be held at the Sailors' Home, West Point on Friday next.

The golden jubilee celebrations of St. Joseph's College will be held on Saturday, Sunday and Monday next.

Sofia, April 29.—Bulgarian papers report that there are indications to-day of a military revolt in Rumania, including the suspension of communication along the border. There is rioting in the interior of Rumania.

Two Chinese were charged at the Central Magistracy yesterday with highway robbery and assault, the complainant being a Chinese silk merchant who alleged that while one man held him down the other took \$45, two gold pins and a whistle from his pocket. After hearing evidence the Magistrate held there was no evidence to convict on the charge of robbery. Both accused were bound over and in addition the first was fined \$25 for assault.

The manager of the Sing Kee Silk Company was held in \$40,000 bail on May 4 by Assessor Spiker and Magistrate Kwan in the Mixed Court charged with misappropriating 69 bales of silk valued at \$799 a bale. The case was remanded for a special hearing. The accused claimed at the hearing that if let alone he would have replaced the silk or its value in money within a month's time. He is also a partner in the firm—"C. P."

Mukden, May 4.—It is rumoured that the Russo-Fengtien Conference in connection with the Chinese Eastern Railway issue will shortly be held here. Both Chinese and Russian authorities of the Chinese Eastern Railway are arriving here. Items which it is reported, will be submitted to this Conference are as follows:—(1) Revision of articles relating to the Chinese Eastern Railway; (2) Reform of the system of the Railway's Board of Inspectors; (3) Improvement of Chinese employees of the Railway; (4) Enactment of the rate of bonus; (5) Questions concerning the transportation of troops and the prohibition of propaganda of communism.

"Ours is a widely scattered family, and we should develop every means to improve our mutual understanding."—Prince of Wales, in a message to the British Empire Exhibition Fellowship.

Tokyo, April 30.—Japanese Consuls in Manchuria as well as the Korean Government General and Kwantung Leased Territory high officials, will hold a conference in Mukden for discussing important political and economic problems.

The China Navigation s.s. "Fatsan" arrived late (at 5 p.m.) from Canton yesterday, owing to an unavoidable collision with cargo junks in the stream, off Macao Forts, about 30 minutes' steam from Canton Harbour. No life was lost and the damaged junks reached shore without assistance.

The "China Weekly Review" of May 1 strongly advocates an American owned and edited newspaper. It suggests the purchase of the "China Press," failing that, to start a new newspaper with American capital. The "Review" is of opinion that the "China Press" not being American owned, cannot be expected to represent American ideas.

London, April 23.—A "pterodactyl" or tailless aeroplane which will not stall, that is lose flying speed and then, dive, which near the ground has proved repeatedly fatal, was described to the Royal Aeronautical Society by its inventor, Captain G. T. R. Hill, who has himself in a score of flights in his "flying lizard" tested its stability. When its speed was reduced to a minimum it simply sank under perfect control, instead of stalling—"Times of Ceylon."

One thousand owners and keepers of houses in licensed vice districts met in national convention at Kyoto recently and discussed an active campaign against the Japan Woman's Christian Temperance Union. If licensed districts were abolished, as is the goal of the W. C. T. U., the brothel keepers declared, in formal resolutions, the country would be converted into a land of unlimited secret vice. Fukuoka prefecture representatives demanded the lowering of the age limit of girl inmates from 18 to 16 years.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. G. Scheffler, German vice-Consul at Kobe has been transferred to Canton.

Major-General Luard, General Officer Commanding the Forces, Major J. Macready and Lieut. R. Q. F. Johnston were passengers by the "D'Artagnan" for Shanghai. The "D'Artagnan" left at midnight last night.

Detective Sub-Inspector "Bob" Shannon, head of the P.P.O. (Piracy Prevention Ordinance) staff of police searchers on the waterfront, and Mrs. Shannon are proceeding on home leave on Saturday by the P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar." Also going on home leave on the same vessel is Mr. W. R. Bilyer (Boarding Officer at the Harbour Office).

The Hon. Mr. G. C. Irving, Resident of the West Coast, British North Borneo, who met with an accident which caused a fracture and dislocation of his shoulder, will go to Singapore to have an X-ray examination.

Ottawa, April 10.—Some two hundred officers of the Canadian forces who served under General Lord Byng during the Great War gave tangible expressions of their affection for their former leader, the Governor-General of Canada (who was the commander of the Canadian forces overseas in 1915-17) at a Vimy Ridge dinner in Government House on Friday night.

The marriage of Rae Larson, daughter of Captain and Mrs. C. A. Larson of Astoria, Oregon, to A. B. Moulton, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Moulton, of Worcester, Mass., took place on May 9 at the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. John, Reverend John Williamson officiating. Miss Larson who has been visiting her cousin, Lieutenant and Mrs. Philip G. Burton of Fort McKinley, is a graduate of the University of Oregon, and has made many friends in Manila during her stay there. Mr. Moulton is a graduate of University of Maine, 1920, and is connected with the Radio Corporation of America.



Lady Cynthia Moseley, one of England's titled women who espouses Socialism, addressed a gathering of Socialists in New York. She went over in connection with litigation over the Leiter millions in Chicago.

New York, May 3.—Oscar Straus, diplomat and financier, died of complication of diseases to-day.

The Singapore branch of the Royal Artillery Association, which was formed in March last, held the first of a series of entertainments at Blakang Mati on May 1. There were about 200 present including Major E. V. Watson, D.S.O., R.A. (President), Major R. C. Sayers, O.B.E., R.A., and other officers of the Regiment with their wives and friends, also several visitors from the neighbouring island, Pulau Brani and Singapore.

At the annual meeting of the Singapore ex-Service Men's Association the following were elected to the Committee: Major R. R. Robertson (Chairman), Major Keys (Vice-Chairman), Lieut. Commander Wilson, Captain Groves, Messrs. E. C. Aldin-Berry, A. L. Gilmore, G. F. Smith, R. C. Higgins, J. H. S. Meigs, and Bowen. Mr. H. E. Wootton was re-elected Hon. Secretary, and Mr. W. T. Houston was re-elected Hon. Treasurer.

Queen Elizabeth of Belgium has had her hair "shingled."

Mrs. A. W. Clements left Shanghai for Tientsin on May 4 to join her husband who has been transferred there.

Milan, April 25.—The late Giacomo Puccini's unfinished opera, "Turandot" was presented to-day for the first time in the Scala Theatre here.

Kobe, May 3.—Mr. J. Merle Davis, General Secretary of the Pacific Council of the Institute of Pacific Relations, arrived from Tokyo on Wednesday.

Penang, May 3.—In the Supreme Court to-day, before Mr. Justice Brown, the decree nisi on the divorce petition of Esther Keun was made absolute and she was also granted the custody of the child.

Mr. and Mrs. Broodbank and Mr. M. P. Anderson of British North Borneo, were passengers to Singapore by the s.s. "Dei" on April 7. Mr. Anderson has decided to make his home in Singapore but will visit Borneo from time to time while Mr. and Mrs. Broodbank are bound for England on long leave.

The Philippines have lost another old time resident in the death of Dr. Robert E. Lee Newberne, former head of the medical department of the Bureau of Health. Dr. Newberne died in Arizona recently. He left the Philippines service on account of ill-health, after several years of arduous service, in which he became endeared to the Filipinos.

The Toho News Agency reports that Count Uchida, President of the Dokkai and ex-Premier of Japan, and party, who have been on a visit to Hankow to inspect the condition of a hospital there which is under the control of the Dokkai, returned to Shanghai on May 5 from Hankow by way of Nanking. The party left on May 7 by the s.s. "Sailor Maru," proceeding to Tientsin en route to Tientsin, Tientsin and Peking, with the object of inspecting hospitals belonging to the Dokkai.

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M.C.C. DECISION.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKET TOUR.

MATCH AT THE OVAL.

Latest Overnight Results From Home.

(Reuter's Service.)

Adelaide, May 11.

In connection with the strike in Britain, the Australian Board of Cricket Control has cabled Mr. Sydney Smith (manager of the Australian team in England).

The Board is of the opinion that the advisability or otherwise of continuing the tour should be left entirely with the Marylebone Club.

Draw With Surrey.

London, May 11.

At the Oval, the Surrey v. Australians match was left drawn.

On the third day (to-day) there were 3,000 spectators; weather cold, sky overcast; wicket dead. Surrey (from 64 for 1 over-night) went on to 265 runs all out in their first innings. Sandham made 84; Petch 39, Hobbs 22; C. G. Macartney took 6 wickets for 63 runs.

When stumps were drawn, the Australians (2nd innings) were 74 runs for 2 wickets. [Note: In the 1st innings Australia scored 395 for 9 declared; Woodfull 118, Hendry 68, Bardsley 34, Macartney 53, Taylor 76; J. H. Lockton 4 for 105.]

COUNTY PROGRAMME.

Middlesex v. Essex.

At Lord's, Middlesex beat Essex by four wickets. Score: Essex (1st innings) 246 runs. Freeman made 62, Russell 122 not out; Durston took 5 wickets for 57 runs and G. T. S. Stevens 5 for 81.

Middlesex (1st innings) 202 runs. Hendren made 90. Essex (2nd innings) 185 runs. Freeman made 60.

Middlesex (2nd innings) 232 runs for 6 wickets. G. T. S. Stevens made 97.

Derby v. Yorkshire.

At Ilkeston, Derbyshire lost first innings points to Yorkshire in a drawn match. Score:—Yorks. (1st) 170 runs. Derby (1st) 109 runs. Macaulay took 6 wickets for 34 runs and Kilner 4 for 25. Yorks. (2nd) 133 runs for 5 wickets.

Notts v. Sussex.

At Trent Bridge, Nottingham, Notts led Sussex on the first innings. Score:—Notts (1st) 232 runs. Gunn (G.) made 114, Tate took 5 wickets for 71 runs. Tate made 53 and Williams 52; Larwood took 4 wickets for 45 runs. Notts (2nd) 73 runs for 1 wicket.

Cricket's Arch-Enemy.

At Gloucester, Gloucestershire v. Lancashire, there was no play, the match being abandoned on account of rain.

Earlier Cable.

The following were all abandoned and left drawn. There was no play on two to three days owing to rain.

At Worcester—Worcestershire (1st) 223 runs; M. K. Foster (last year's captain made 53 and M. F. S. Jewell (the new skipper) 67. Somerset (1st) 14 runs for 2 wickets.

At Birmingham—Warwickshire (1st) 266 runs; Parsons made 171; Boyce took 5 wickets for 55 runs. Hampshire (1st) 16 runs for 2 wickets.

At Leicester—Leicestershire (1st) 195 runs; Ryan took 5 wickets for 55 runs. Glamorgan (1st) 37 runs for 1 wicket.

DAVIS CUP.

BRITAIN WINS THE DOUBLES MATCH.

POLAND SWAMPED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 11.

At Harrogate, in the first round (European Zone) of the Davis Cup lawn tennis competition, Britain finally beat Poland by all five matches to love.

In the doubles, G. R. Croft-Rees and C. H. Kingsley beat Steinert and Kleynadel 7-5, 6-4, 6-3.

[Note: Earlier telegrams credited Britain with four victories (to nil) in the singles.]

GOOD EXAMPLE.

NEW TOTE TO HELP RACE BACKERS.

HONGKONG AND SINGAPORE.

Will such a boon, as that described below, be conferred on Hongkong racegoers? Our great grouse in the past has been against the lack of an up-to-date totalisator. About this there are no two opinions, although we may be at variance as to the pros and cons of bookies. The following from the "Straits Times" of May 8 will show us how things should be done.

"Patrol."

When Singapore Turf Club members who visit the course only on race days go there next, they will be agreeably impressed by the very imposing electric totalisator which has come into being since the October meeting.

It is a wonderful piece of work which makes the Turf Club one of the best equipped in the East (hear, hear—"Patrol"), and its rapid construction is a tribute to the energy of all those concerned. Briefly, the new machine erected by Automatic Totalisators, Ltd., of Australia, means that local bookies can put their money on—

and collect if they happen to have picked well—with a minimum of trouble. Hitherto, betting on the tote has been rather a business, and the member who wished to back on each race has had to be an earnest worker. The new machine, by a remarkable series of electrical devices, makes the whole operation a simple matter. Moreover it is fool proof and fraud proof. The moment the signal is given that a race has started the current is cut off and no more tickets can be issued, everything being worked electrically.

The cost of installation, including building, machines, transformers and batteries, has been about \$60,000.

There are sixteen windows, at fourteen of which \$5 tickets can be taken. Of the other two one is for \$20 cash bets and the other for coupon betting, this taking the place of the old tote cards.

Any Horse At Any Window.

The great feature is that one can obtain tickets for either a win or a place on any horse at any window. The total on each horse and the grand aggregate is automatically registered and shown plainly. It is interesting to note that this is the first of the new type of dual control machine—win and place—which has been exported from Australia.

Paying out will be on the ground floor of the big grand stand as before. Backers will be glad to hear that there will be a late paying out window.

Mr. W. Grieve and Mr. F. Lavington of Automatic Totalisators, Ltd., have been in charge of the installation. Mr. Grieve is to stay with the club for a year to supervise the working of the machine. He installed a similar tote at the Stadium Club, London, and also erected a miniature machine, which was demonstrated to visitors at Wembley. On returning to Australia he received orders to proceed to Singapore for the present work, and club officials are loud in their praise of the way in which he has pushed things on so as to have the machine ready for the May meeting.

The transformers and batteries are by Crompton's and installed by United Engineers, Ltd. Municipal current is used, and in the event of any failures the machine can be switched on to the stand by batteries.

There are 36½ miles of wiring in the tote, including 6½ miles of C. T. S. wiring.

The machine was given a thorough try out and satisfied all tests. Members took many tickets on imaginary races, and the pleasure of being able to do this without paying money was only tempered by the fact that paying out was also imaginary.

HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club, v. 1/2 East Surrey Regiment "C" Company, at the U.S.R.C. ground, on Thursday at 5.30 p.m.—F. S. Nicholls; B. D. Evans; J. R. Mitchell (capt.); R. D. Evans; J. R. Mitchell (capt.); Garrod, D. Lyon, L. M. S. Lloyd, and T. J. Price.

LOCAL SCHOOL SPORTS.

In connection with the Golden Jubilee of St. Joseph's College, Hongkong, the college sports will be held at Happy Valley, commencing 1 p.m. this Saturday.

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FULL DETAILS.

The drawing for the Shanghai Champions (spring meeting) resulted:—

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Kismet (R) 32125
Green Apple 17031
Papyrus 23220
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Charcoal (R) 16739
Pinestone 25953
11824
7762

"B" Sweep.

Borderland 6480
Old Bill 13642
Pinestone 25240
Morning Flight 29038
Cinders 24785
New Zealand (R) 24071
Piccolo 32008
Wheatcroft (R) 12312
Zouave (R) 29755
Kismet (R) 1050
Green Apple 22451
Papyrus 16979
The Warbler 23813
Larch Tree 17791
Pretty Dahlia 12653
Booran 4061
Poppyland 4116
Zuluand 24629
Maoriland 3747
Hystrung 13590
Magog 17361
Keeora 28673
Young Bill 13977
Charcoal (R) 13480
The Flamingo 16954
Battus 13010

Racing Return.

Winner, Tis. 3,000; Second, Tis. 1,500; Third, Tis. 750. For China ponies, winners at this meeting:—One mile and a quarter.

1.—Borderland, E. B. McBain (158)
2.—Old Bill, C. R. Burkill (152)
3.—Firestone, H. Matland (152)

Also Ran.

New Zealand, A. N. Dallas (158)
Charcoal, E. Moller (152)
Kismet, A. J. P. Heard (155)
Zouave, A. Hughes (155)
Wheatcroft, S. B. M. Bremner (155)
Pari-Mutuel Win. Place.
Borderland 600 802
Old Bill 294 742
Firestone 894 1492

Chances taken 10,337 12,371

How They Ran.

The "Shanghai Times" describes the race thus:—A fine shower started as the ponies came out. Old Bill was, of course, the first, and indulged in an opener. "Charcoal" and Firestone followed, with New Zealand last. Wheatcroft maneuvered for the rails just before the start, but was unsuccessful, Zouave being on the inside when the flags dropped. Old Bill was next away, and Burkill rode him hard from start to finish. At the half-mile, Borderland showed a spurt, followed by Zouave, Old Bill and Firestone, with Charcoal well in the rear. Then the Day pony fell away, and the two, Borderland and New Zealand, ran together for a spell. The latter, on approaching the Monument, dropped behind, and Borderland went on to take a handy position at three from the rails. The pony came down the straight in fine style, Mr. McBain keeping him in the centre of the course. Borderland won comfortably by four lengths, Old Bill going wonderfully, taking second place, with Firestone a length behind.

NEARING END.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT AT H.K.C.C.

YESTERDAY'S MATCHES.

The annual lawn tennis tournament at the Hongkong Cricket Club—carrying with it the accepted championships of the Colony—is drawing to an end.

To-day's outstanding fixture is on the stand court when the Lo brothers try conclusions once more with the Rumjahn, who are holders of the title. All four players have shown that their form has varied more or less—sometimes to the good and occasionally to the bad—so that an interesting tie should be played.

T. Honda, singles champion in 1924 who lost to Captain C. H. D. O'Callaghan, last year, is the potential winner this year. Yesterday he had little difficulty in defeating Akiyama bringing off some neat cross-court short shots and relying mainly on deadly placing. The loser was by no means disgraced, winning distinction by some spectacular aces when on the offensive.

Hancock and Redmond went a step further in the doubles, playing at the top of their form and showing exceptional knowledge of match-play in doubles.

Results follow:—

Open Singles.—(4th round) T. Honda beat T. Akiyama, 6-3, 6-4, 6-0.

Open Doubles.—(3rd round) R. Hancock and F. A. Redmond beat J. M. da Silva and Y. A. Wahab, 6-3, 6-5, 6-3; A. S. Hett and E. C. Broome, 6-1, 6-2, 7-5.

Handicap Singles.—"B"—W. L. Dunbar (scr.) beat E. J. R. Mitchell (owe 5/6), 6-2, 6-3.

Handicap Doubles.—A. K. Mackenzie and A. C. I. Bowker (scr.) beat Dr. Craig and Dr. Valentine (owe 8/6), 6-2, 8-6.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

Open Doubles.—(3rd round)

M. K. Lo and M. W. Lo v. H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn; L. Baines and G. Miskin v. Major Pratt and Major Stevenson.

Mixed Doubles.—(semi-final)

H. W. Fitzroy Williams and Mrs. Williams (rec. 4/6) v. O. C. Womack and Mrs. E. R. Childs (owe 1/6).

SHANGHAI MILL SUIT.

ANDERSEN MEYER & CO. SUE BY CHINESE SPINNING CO.

First testimony in the suit of the Heng Dah Cotton Mill against Andersen Meyer and Co., Ltd. for Tis. 378,777.72 for alleged breach of contract, was taken on May 7 in the United States Court for China.

Major C. P. Holcomb, counsel for the Heng Dah Cotton Mill, outlined the case to the Court, stating that the mill entered into a contract with Andersen Meyer and Co. on July 21, 1919, for the purchase of certain cotton spinning machinery. Delivery was not made within the time limit set by the contract. Major Holcomb said, and the defendant firm is alleged to have breached the contract still further by failing to deliver certain castings, beltings and accessories enumerated in the contract.

Attorney W. Chalmers, who appeared in court with Judge C. S. Franklin, defending the case for Andersen Meyer and Co., stated that the delayed shipments of machinery were accepted by the mill upon delivery without complaint, thus putting the mill in the position of having waived any branches. He also explained that the materials and machinery were delivered late because of labour strikes and embargo for which Andersen Meyer and Co. were in no way responsible.

Moh Shu-tai, manager of the cotton mill, was the first witness put upon the stand. Moh testified that the machinery was not delivered in the time noted in the contract, and that certain of the accessories were found to be defective and were replaced by purchases from other firms.

Moh proved a difficult witness, since it developed from his testimony that he did not personally carry on negotiations between his company and Andersen Meyer and Co., but these were all taken care of by another Chinese employed by the mill, Zang Chieu, who will be a later witness.

The mill claims not only damages of Tis. 269,777.72 from the alleged breach of contract, but an additional loss of Tis. 110,000, due to the varying value of the exchange—"C.P."

The discovery of rice powder on his coat makes a college boy swagger a bachelor blush and a married man tremble.

MANILA FLIGHT.

SPANISH AVIATORS' LAST LAP.

APARRI REACHED.

The Spanish aviators left Macao yesterday at 7.25 a.m. on the last stage of their flight from Madrid to Manila.

A message received by the Spanish Procuration in Hongkong yesterday afternoon announced the safe arrival of the flyers at Aparri, Northern Philippines.

The two airmen, Captain Gallarza and Captain Loriga, are flying in the former's plane, the two mechanics being left behind at Macao. They have arranged to follow on later by steamer, taking with them Captain Loriga's damaged machine. This is being fetched from Tinian, where a forced landing was made, to Macao.

The French gunboat Alcot left Hongkong yesterday morning and escorted the aviators for some distance in the direction of the Philippines.

REPORT ON JOSEPHUS' "JEWISH WAR."

ALLUSIONS TO CHRISTIANITY AND THE TRIAL BEFORE PILATE.

London, April 13.—The little known Slavonic version of the "Jewish war" by Josephus has now been examined by experts who find it contains allusions to the founder of Christianity, which do not appear in the hitherto known Greek text of the works of this Jewish historian, who wrote in the first century.

Dr. Vacher Burch calls attention in an article published in the Diocese of "Liverpool Review" to the striking additional evidence these references afford to the authenticity of the New Testament record. Josephus, he says, tells us he knew about the "trial before Pilate," that "many were 'slaves' of the wonder-worker, Jesus," that these "preached that their Rabbi, who had died and risen from the dead—taught a new law which is in opposition to the old Jewish law," and that these very early messengers were "teaching others by the help of the primitive 'documentary' mode, which he had inspired."

Continuing Dr. Burch says: "It means very much that Josephus knew about the trial of Jesus. It means even more that he should touch on the facts and beliefs concerning him, as risen from the dead. It is of surpassing value that he should indicate 'documentary' resources, of the preaching of these 'slaves.'"

Charles H. Box, professor of King's College, London, criticizing Dr. Burch's article in the "Observer," agrees that "the subject imperatively demands a thorough study." Mr. Box adds: "If the authentic character of the Slavonic version can be established, its importance is obvious."

JAPANESE PRESS ON BRITISH COAL STRIKE.

Tokyo, May 4.—The leading Japanese papers this morning publish editorials on the British coal strike. The general tone is neutral and sympathetic to both parties, though reflecting a realization of the seriousness of the situation.

The "Hochi" considers that a permanent settlement is impossible till the question of the nationalization of mines has been definitely decided.

The "Kokumin" likens the recurring coal strike to a cancer in the British system of domestic administration which necessitates a very drastic surgical operation before a permanent settlement is possible.

The "Hochi" advocates mutual sacrifices for a compromise. The "Chugai" recommends continuing the subsidy till a permanent solution has been reached.

The "Asahi" publishes the opinions of leading Japanese statesmen and publicists, including Mr. Inouye, a former President of the Bank of Japan, and Viscount Takahashi, the former Premier.

Mr. Inouye thinks that the situation is serious for other nations as well as Great Britain and considers that it may lead to the nationalization of the mines.

Viscount Takahashi and others anticipate a reasonable solution of the crisis without disorders.

Mr. Sakai, the veteran Socialist is reported to have expressed the opinion that the outcome of the present crisis is likely to decide whether the world's Labour movement will develop towards the Left or Right.

It is stated that the Japanese Foreign Office fears that the Baldwin Ministry will "receive some mortal wounds" unless the situation is handled very carefully.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

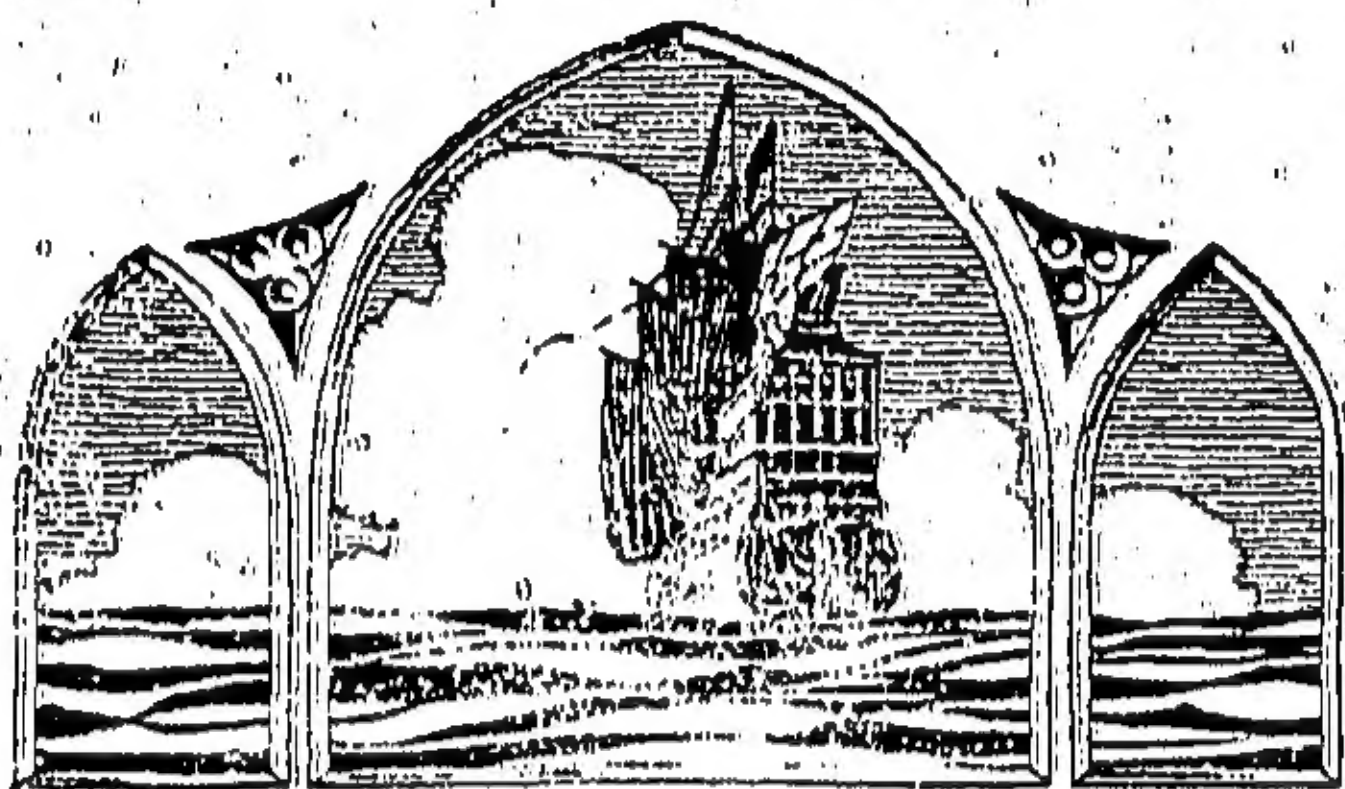
HONGKONG, MAY 12, 1926, 10.30 a.m.

Name.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association.	Share & Bond.
T.T. on London	2 1/2%	2 1/2%	2 1/2%
T.T. on Shanghai	76 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2
Hongkong Bank	1100 s	1110 s	\$1005 n.
Chartered Bank	£125 n.	£20 1/2 b & sa	£135 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B. C.	£30 1/2 n.	230 n.	—
P. & O. Bank	£13 1/2 n.	£13 1/2 n.	—
Bank of East Asia	£86 n.	£84 b.	58 1/2 n.
Marine Insurance	—	—	—
Canton Insurance	635 b.	625 b.	\$ 625 b.
China Underwriters	1,000 b.	2	1,000 b.
North China Insurance	T 145 n.	T 140 n.	\$280 b.
Union Insurance	288 1/2 n.	288 b.	—
Yangtze Insurance	37 1/2 b.	44 n.	—
Fire Insurance	—	—	—
China Fire Insurance	170 b.	170 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	551 b.	550 b.	540 b.
Shipping	—	—	—
Douglases	28 n.	28 n.	28 n.
Hongkong Steamboats	26 s.	25 1/2 n.	25 1/2 n.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	2 1/2 s.	2 1/2 n.	2 1/2 n.
Indo-China (Pref.)	38 n.	30 n.	37 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd.	46 n.	45 n.	45 n.
do. () Hk.	—	—	—
Oriental Navigation	—	—	—
Shell Transports	87 1/2 n.	87 1/2 n.	87 1/2 n.
Star Farries	62 1/2 b.	62 1/2 b.	62 1/2 n.
Water-boats	15 n.	15 n.	15 s.
Refineries	—	—	—
China Sugars	24 1/2 s.	24 1/2 n.	24 s.
Malabon Sugars	35 b.	35 b.	35 s.
Mining	—	—	—
Benguet	1 1/2 b.	1 1/2 n.	1 1/2 n.
Kailan Mining Ad.	42 1/2 b.	42 1/2 n.	42 1/2 n.
Langkats (Combined)	24 1/2 b.	24 1/2 n.	24 1/2 n.
do. (Single)	12 1/2 b.	12 b.	12 n.
Shanghai Exploration	5 1/2 n.	5 n.	5 n.
Shanghai Loan	7 n.	7 n.	7 n.
Raubas	5 s.	5 n.	5 n.
Troch Mines	65 1/2 n.	65 1/2 b.	65 1/2 n.
Ural Caspians	8 n.	8 n.	8 n.
Docks, Wharves	—	—	—
Godowns, &c.	—	—	—
H.K. & W. Wharves	\$128 b.	128 b. 129 s.	\$129 s.
H.K. & W. Docks	57 n.	60 s.	57 n.
Hongkows	7180 b.	7180 b.	180 b.
New Engineerings	500 b.	T 6 b.	6 b.
Shanghai Docks	108 1/2 n.	107 b.	105 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.	—	—	—
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	10 1/2 b. 10 1/2 s.	10 30 b & sa	10 1/2 b.
do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	62 s. 61 sa	61 sa.	61 1/2 s. 61 sa
H.K. Realty	534 b.	6 s.	6 s.
H.K. Territorial	5 n.	5 1/2 s.	6 n.
Humphreys Estates	15 1/4 n.	15 1/4 n.	15 n.
Princes Building	100 n.	100 s.	—
Rural Lands	7 n.	—	—
Cotton Mills	—	—	—
Two Cottons	10 10 b.	T 10 20 b 10 40	T 10 4 b.
Oriental	3 n.	3 20 b. (sa)	3 n.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	53 b.	53 b.	53 b.
do. (new)	27 b.	27 b.	27 b.
Miscellaneous	—	—	—
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Judge Walter A. White, of Hancock County (Mississippi), when presiding at the trial of Jesse Favre, accused of killing two Government ontomologists, threatened sentences of prison for newspaper men who reported the trial, fearing a prejudiced jury. Although his ultimatum has been defied, he then took no action.



At Cannes, attired in Dame Fashion's most up-to-date creations, the lady on the left is shown with a new travelling blanket-cum coat.



LADY MARGUERITE HYDE

Lady Marguerite Hyde, the Duchess of Suffolk and Berks, led the opposition forces in Chicago, demanding the removal of her brother, Joseph Leiter, from the control of the Leiter millions.



JOE LEITER

The trial of the suit to depose Joseph Leiter as administrator of the \$30,000,000 Leiter estate has opened in Chicago.



JENNIE CAROSONE

Jennie Carosone, ten years old, of New York, went home the other day showing a large bald patch on her head, caused, she said, when her teacher grabbed her by the hair and pulled it out by the roots.



GERALD CHAPMAN

The appeal of Gerald Chapman, America's most notorious bandit, denied by the Supreme Court and was to have been executed at Wethersfield Prison in Connecticut, on April 6, unless his lawyers found another legal reason for delay. Chapman shot a policeman during a robbery.



ARTHUR D. DAVIS

A nation-wide search was started for Arthur D. Davis, twenty-one, honour student at the Newton, Mass., Theological College, believed to have wandered away after his mind was weakened by excessive study.



JAMES J. WALKER



SIR ESME HOWARD



CHARLES PONZI



SEN. JAMES A. REED

Mayor James J. Walker of New York, when speaking in Cincinnati, urged the permission of beer. Money rules world diplomacy as never before, declared Sir Esme Howard, the British Ambassador to the U.S., in a Chicago interview. Charles Ponzi, the Boston "financial wizard" was exonerated of charges of fraud in connection with Florida land sales. The recent fight in the League of Nations proved that the United States has no right in that body, said Senator James A. Reed of Missouri.



MRS. S. S. KRESGE



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The \$2,500,000 suit of Mrs. S. S. Kresge against her multi-millionaire "ten-cent chain-store" magnate husband is stated to have been settled out of court for \$100,000.



SEN. HIRAM JOHNSON



GEORGES CLEMENCEAU



COUNTESS CATHCART



JOHN R. PRENTICE

Senator Hiram Johnson, of California, declared that the happenings at Geneva proved that the United States had no business in the League of Nations. Georges Clemenceau told reporters in Paris that the world would never know he was dead until after his burial. Countess Cathcart bought back her play "Ashes of Love" and decided to produce it herself after it had failed in Washington and London. John Rockefeller Prentice, grandson of John D. Rockefeller, has won scholastic honours at Yale.

BRINGING UP FATHER.



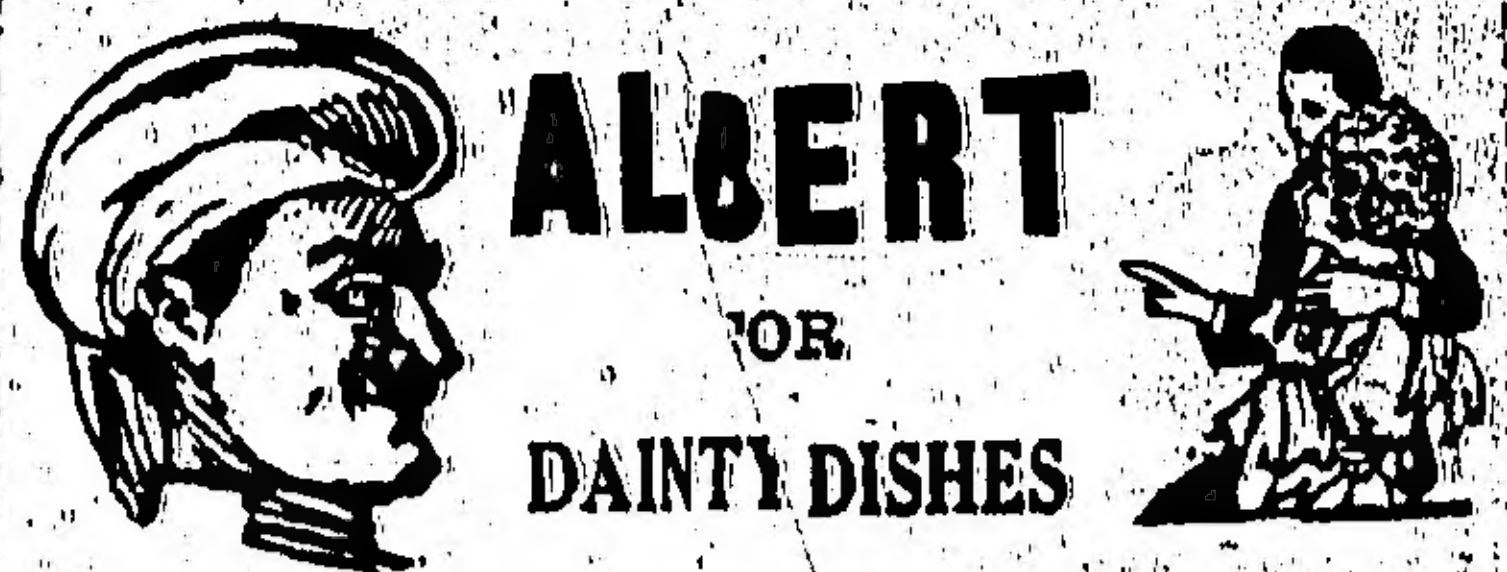
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MAN'S ORIGIN SOME PROMISING SITES.

After a six-month survey of sites connected with man's origin and evolution in India, Ceylon, Java, Australia, and South Africa, Dr. Ales Hrdlicka, curator of physical anthropology in the U. S. National Museum at Washington, returned recently, says the Washington "Science News Bulletin," with a remarkable collection of evidence which reveals three great regions as undeveloped "gold-mines" for scientific research.

These regions which show such amazing richness in fossil remains, and in which work is now practically at a standstill, Dr. Hrdlicka declared, are the Siwalik Hills of India, the Solo River valley of Java, and the Taungsa-Broken Hill country in South Africa. In the Siwalik Hills, which extend for hundreds of miles, from Kashmir nearly to Burma, he found that five or six species of fossil big apes have been discovered, two or three of which have not yet been described by scientists. These ape-remains are from different geological horizons in this single range of Himalayan foothills, and the surface has hardly been scratched. In the valley of the Solo River, where the famous "Pithecanthropus erectus" or ape-man's remains, were discovered in 1891, Dr. Hrdlicka found another rich but neglected region. Old and well-preserved fossils are still frequently washed out by the river, and natives sometimes find and sell these, but there is no scientist there to collect them. Another region offering immense possibilities in throwing light upon the origin of man, is at Taungsa, and in the Broken Hill country of South Africa. Dr. Hrdlicka found two skeletons of cave-men in this section, where the remains of the mysterious Rhodesian man were originally discovered. Besides inspecting these sites of major importance in connection with man's evolution Dr. Hrdlicka travelled extensively in India and Australia and made observations upon the people now living in those countries. In various parts of India he found definite traces of negro blood, and was able to trace the route followed by the ancestors of the negroes of the Philippines in migrations from Africa by way of India. In Tibet he also discovered remarkable American Indian types, showing, he believes, that they were remnants of the same people who populated America.

PEKING'S IRRECONCILABLES ALL ASSORTED REFUGEES AT THE WAGONS LITS.

Peking May 1.—Curious scenes are taking place at the Wagons Lits in the Legation Quarter here, where leaders of various opposing factions find themselves unexpectedly taking refuge in company.

The refugees include Messrs. Shen Jui-lin, Kung Hsin-Chan, Ho Te-lin, Teng Han-shang, all former Government officials; and Messrs. Tang Hsi-tao, Wang Nai-mo, Li Hsi-shao and Kuo Chen-lung, all of the Kuomintang faction. Here also are sojourning such radical leaders as Mr. Chiang Mong-lin, former Acting President of the Peking University, and Mr. Chu Chia-hoa, Professor of the same University, who is noted for his Bolshevik propaganda. Besides these, there are many prominent Chinese journalists staying at the hotel, all under fictitious names. These ill-assorted guests are constantly complaining of the fact that they encounter political opponents in the corridors or dining-room of the hotel, and many little scenes occur suggesting situations in broad farce. However, no fist or even wordy encounters have so far taken place between the rival guests.

It is reported that Generals Lu Chi, Hsiung, Chen and Men Chih-chung are also hiding in the hotel. "Rengo."



Suing his wife for divorce in London, F. A. Loveday named his brother as co-respondent in the case.

Father: "Johnny, the teacher says you didn't do so well in spelling to-day."
Johnny: "Well, she gave me the word 'banana', and I got started, and couldn't decide where to stop."

"I LIKE CANNIBALS."

LADY D. MILLS ON HER
LIBERIAN ADVENTURES.

London, April 22.—"I must say I like cannibals. They are better tempered and more picturesque than other tribes," confessed Lady Dorothy Mills, on her return to London, after three months' adventures in the heart of Liberia.

She declared that the sight of natives dancing indicated that our modern dance music was purely negroid. The natives' tunes and movements were simply jazz.

"It is noteworthy," said Lady Dorothy Mills, "that though fine game abounds there the natives do not eat it. Cannibals eat only human flesh."

She contracted malaria when in the heart of the cannibal country and her black boys urged her not to die, pointing out that there were no cemeteries and that the cannibals would surely devour her remains. "Times of Ceylon."

NOVEL DOG PLAN.

The Kobe police, says the "Japan Chronicle," have given out a novel plan, termed "Wild Dogs Purchase Week," which will shortly come into force in Kobe as a move for the prevention of hydrophobia. During the week those who have dogs are warned to keep them indoors, as all dogs found in the streets will be taken to the police station as stray dogs by those who find them, who in return will receive from the police a ticket and 70 sen in cash for each big dog and a ticket and 30 sen in cash for each small dog. These tickets bear numbers, which, if fortunate, will later win prizes. As to what the extent of the highest prize should be the authorities are racking their brains since if the amount of the prize is too much it will stimulate the gambling spirit of the public. By this means the police hope to secure at least 1,500 wild dogs.

PENDING ANTI-JAPANESE OUTRAGE CASES.

The withdrawal of the Nationalist troops from the Capital becoming imminent, Japanese Minister Yoshizawa pressed hard Lieut.-Gen. Lu for the speedy solution of the pending Taku firing outrage case and the Japanese sergeant murder case. Lu accepted Japan's demands in both cases in their entirety, and the agreement thereon was provisionally signed on the 14th to be formally signed shortly. The settlements amounting to \$50,000 for the Taku case, \$30,000 for the bereaved family of the murdered sergeant, Namba, and \$3,000 for Interpreter Hitaka, captured, but released later, are to be tendered (Tokyo, April 14.)

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NOTICES.

MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD OF CHINA, HONGKONG BRANCH.

AN ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Guild Office, Sailors' Home, West Point, on FRIDAY, 14th MAY, 1926, at 5 o'clock p.m. BUSINESS: Correspondence, Elections and General.

W. J. STOKES, Branch Secretary, Hongkong, 12th May, 1926.

HONGKONG & TERRITORIAL ESTATES, LIMITED.

THE SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, "St. George's" Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, on THURSDAY, the 20th May, 1926, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the period ended 31st December, 1925, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 13th May, 1926, until THURSDAY, the 20th May, 1926, both days inclusive. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 10th May, 1926.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY, 1926, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

By Order of the Board, PAUL LAUDER, General Manager, Hongkong, May 8, 1926.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY, 1926, at 11:15 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

By Order of the Board, PAUL LAUDER, General Manager, Hongkong, May 8, 1926.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY, 1926, at 11:20 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

By Order of the Board, PAUL LAUDER, General Manager, Hongkong, May 8, 1926.

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 17th day of May, 1926, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of CROWN LAND at Shaukiwan in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years with the option of renewal as a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

No. of Lot	Boundary Measurement	Area	Approx. Value	Use
1	1/2 Acre	1/2	100	Residential
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NOTICE.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on TUESDAY, the 18th May, 1926, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1925.

THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 18th May, 1926, both days inclusive.

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Dutiable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

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From THURSDAY, MAY 13. From Shanghai, Hongkong, Canton, Swatow, Amoy, Fuzhou, Ningbo, Hangchow, Shanghai, Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia. Pres. Wilson.

SATURDAY, MAY 15. From Manila, Pres. Grant. From Australia and Manila, Pres. Madison.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19. From U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Shanghai, Pres. Madison. From Canada, U.S.A. Japan, & Shanghai, Empress of Russia.

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